

REMARKS

The Examiner is thanked for the thorough examination of the present application and the continued indication that claims 2, 3, 10, and 11 contain allowable subject matter. The FINAL Office Action, however, continued to reject the remaining claims.

Although Applicant continues to disagree with the substantive (prior art based) rejections, in an effort to place this application in condition for allowance, Applicant submits these amendments. In this regard, independent claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter of claim 2 (and claim 2 has been correspondingly cancelled). Likewise, independent claim 5 has been amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter of claim 10 (and claim 10 has been correspondingly cancelled). Finally, claims 13-7 have been canceled.

In addition, the Office Action rejected claims 1 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as allegedly indefinite. Applicant has amended these claims to address and overcome this indefiniteness objection (clarifying that, of the plurality of electrodes, there is one disposed in each of the plurality of inkjet channels).

As the foregoing amendments merely clarify the subject matter previously claims, no new issues are raised by these amendments, and the amendments should be entered and considered.

As dependent claims 3-4, 6-9, 11-12 depended from allowable claims 1 and 5, these claims should be allowed for at least the same reasons.

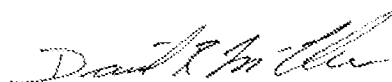
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that all pending claims are in proper condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite the examination of the above-identified patent application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

No fee is believed to be due in connection with this submission. If, however, any fee is believed to be due, you are hereby authorized to charge any such fee to deposit account No. 20-0778.

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